



Midwest Energy Code Utility Programs

Improving Energy Code Compliance

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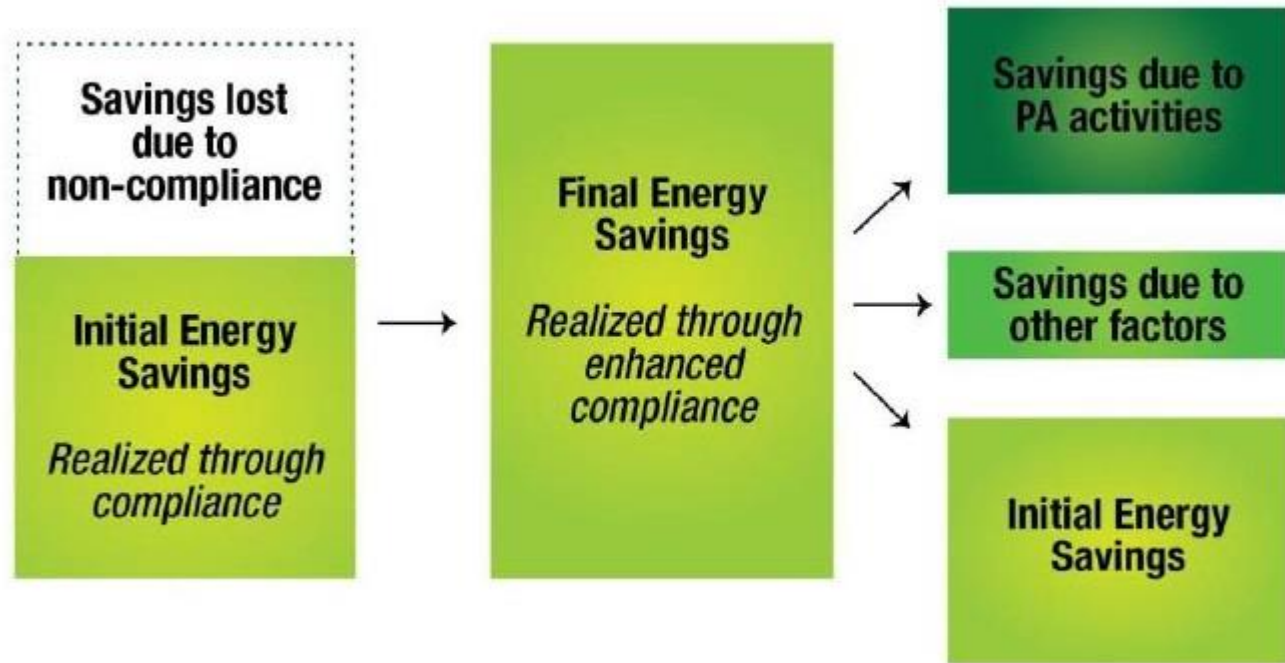


Agenda

- Energy code compliance opportunity
- Benefits
- Program framework example
- Potential savings
- Midwest Project Progress
- Similar Program Examples

Opportunities for Claimed Savings

Energy Code Compliance



Source: Attributing Building Energy Code Savings to Energy Efficiency Programs (2013), Institute for Market Transformation, Institute for Electric Innovation, Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships

Energy Code Compliance

Opportunities for Claimed Savings

- Improved energy code compliance offers **significant savings** potential
- Solid **evidence of non-compliance** in many buildings
- Unique opportunity for utilities to support improved compliance and **claim resultant savings**



Benefits

Why utilities are interested in energy codes

- **Short term**
 - Portfolio savings
 - Less low-hanging fruit
- **Long term**
 - Ever-accruing demand savings
 - Less stress on the grid
 - Better buildings
 - Opportunity to engage customers in a new way

Non-Energy Benefits

Opportunities for Engagement

Building Industry Engagement

- Code Officials
- Home Builders
- Subcontractors
- Manufacturers
- Supply Houses
- Homeowners
- Real Estate Community
- Architects
- Engineers

Kentucky Program Framework

Energy Code Compliance

1. Residential Baseline Study
 - Basis for measuring improvement
 - Identifies specific compliance improvement opportunities
2. Integrated Compliance Support Program
 - Develop a suite of programs targeted at identified compliance improvement opportunities
3. Post Program Study
 - Positive results from Kentucky

Residential Study

KY Measure-Level Analysis

| Measure | Phase I Non-Compliance | Phase III Non-Compliance | Percentage Point Improvement |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Envelope Air Leakage | 32% | 2% | +30 |
| Ceiling Insulation (quality) | 58% | 40% | +18 |
| Exterior Wall Insulation (quality) | 66% | 58% | +8 |
| Foundation Insulation (R-value) | 19% | 30% | -11 |
| Foundation Insulation (quality) | 86% | 76% | +10 |
| High Efficacy Lighting | 67% | 60% | +7 |
| Duct Leakage (conditioned space) | 80% | 65% | +15 |
| Duct Leakage (unconditioned space) | 32% | 39% | -7 |

KY Residential Study – Results

Phase I

Phase III

| Measure | Total Energy Savings (MMBtu) | Total Energy Cost Savings (\$) | Total State Emissions Reduction (MT CO2e) | Total Energy Savings (MMBtu) | Total Energy Cost Savings (\$) | Total State Emissions Reduction (MT CO2e) |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Envelope Air Leakage | 27,182 | 484,314 | 3,092 | 581 | \$10,321 | 65 |
| Ceiling Insulation | 11,372 | 215,656 | 1,080 | 4,835 | \$91,786 | 595 |
| Exterior Wall Insulation | 9,277 | 171,044 | 1,102 | 8243 | \$151,974 | 976 |
| Foundation Insulation | 6,800 | 108,156 | 668 | 11,676 | \$178,905 | 1,075 |
| Lighting | 5,742 | 197,544 | 1,427 | 4,454 | \$153,383 | 1,130 |
| Duct Leakage | 2,135 | 43,142 | 284 | 17,151 | \$342,217 | 2,251 |
| TOTAL | 62,508 | \$1,219,856 | 7,653 | 46,941 | \$928,585 | 6,093 |
| SAVINGS | | | | 25% | 24% | 20% |

*Based on 7,345 annual new homes



KY Residential Study

Cumulative Potential Savings

| Total Energy Savings (MMBtu) | | |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------|
| 5yr | 10yr | 30yr |
| 937,620 | 3,437,939 | 29,066,211 |

| Total Cost Savings (\$) | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| 5yr | 10yr | 30yr |
| \$18,297,844 | \$67,092,095 | \$567,233,170 |

*Based on 7,345 annual new homes



AC Right-Sizing

KY Potential Analysis Results

- An ACCA **Manual J analysis** was performed on homes and the design unit compared to the installed unit
- The average installed unit was **oversized by 159%**
- Annual potential demand savings from right-sizing was **~2.4 MW**
 - An additional **~2.9 MW** of savings potential from key item compliance
- Annual unnecessary consumer expense was estimated at about **\$30 million dollars annually**



What and Why

Understanding Energy Code Compliance

| | | | | |
|---|------|---|-----|---------------------------------------|
| ✓ | What | | Why | Residential Baseline Field Study |
| ✓ | What | | Why | Commercial Baseline Field Study |
| | What | ✓ | Why | Energy Codes Compliance Collaborative |

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✓ Who

✓ How

✓ How
Much

Code Compliance Collaborative

What and Why

- *What:* A **group of stakeholders** that come together on a regular basis to explore common interests and **address barriers** related to energy code compliance
- *Why:* To establish **a forum for** identifying and tackling obstacles to **improving energy code compliance**

Codes Compliance Collaborative

Benefits

- **Identification** of compliance barriers and mitigation options
- Exchange and **coordination** of support activities and incentives
 - Education/training opportunities
- Opportunity to learn from **shared experiences**
- **Collective understanding** of code interpretations and compliant practices

Utility Programs Underway

Energy Code Compliance

Illinois

- Funded by major utilities; Future Energy Jobs Act (FEJA)
- Statewide
- Residential Field Study*
- Commercial Field Study*
- Collaborative*
- Statewide code:
 - 2015 IECC, moving to the 2018 IECC

*Recommendations for potential future program



IL Codes Compliance Collaborative

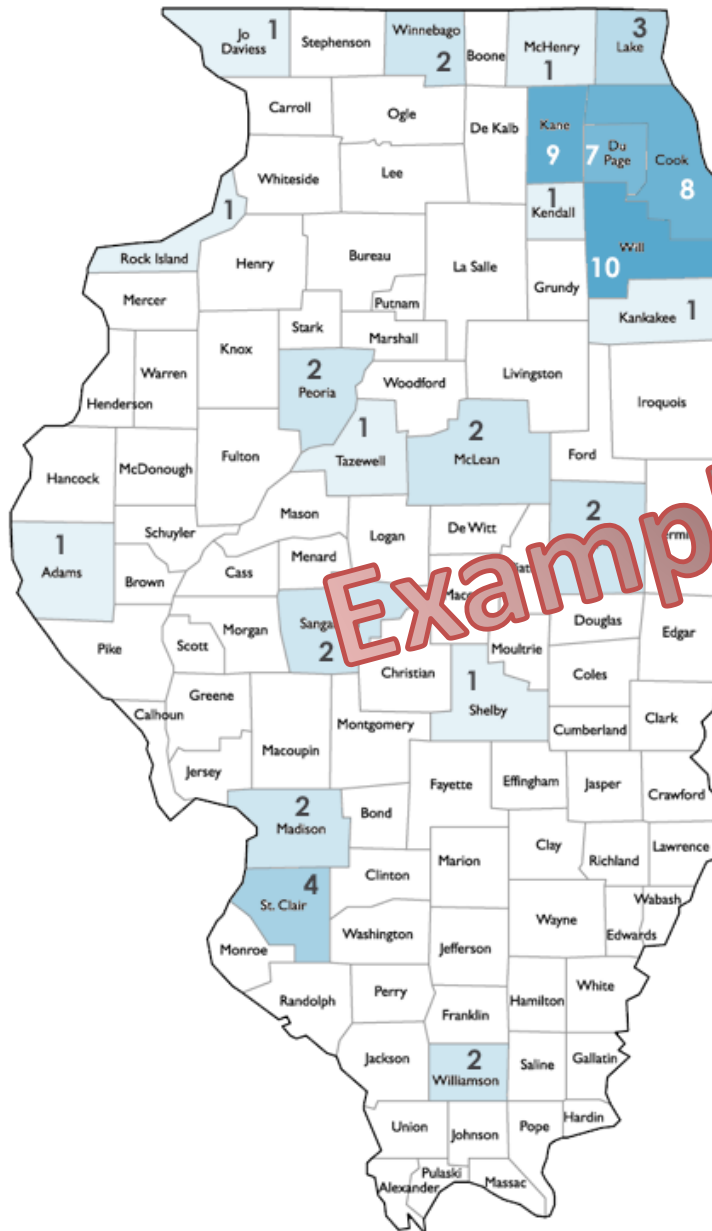
Progress to Date

- **Six in-person**
Collaborative meetings
 - East Peoria
 - O'Fallon
 - Oak Park
 - Oak Brook
- **Two web-based**
Collaborative meetings
 - 1 residential meeting
 - 1 commercial meeting
- Conducted **survey of members** to identify biggest issues



Residential Study

Sampling Plan



Example

- Survey team is currently **recruiting buildings** by contacting jurisdictions and scheduling site visits
- Data collection **underway**
- Targeting data collection completion for **Fall 2019**

Residential Study

Key Items

- **Envelope Tightness**
(ACH50)
- **Window Solar Heat Gain Coefficient**
- **Window U-factor**
- **Wall Insulation**
(R-value and Quality)
- **Ceiling Insulation**
(R-value and Quality)
- **Mechanical Ventilation** *(not a DOE key item)*
- **Foundation Insulation**
(R-value and Quality)
- **High Efficacy Lighting**
- **Duct Leakage**
(CFM25)
- **Manual J Data**
(not a DOE key item)
- **Manual D Data**
(not a DOE key item)



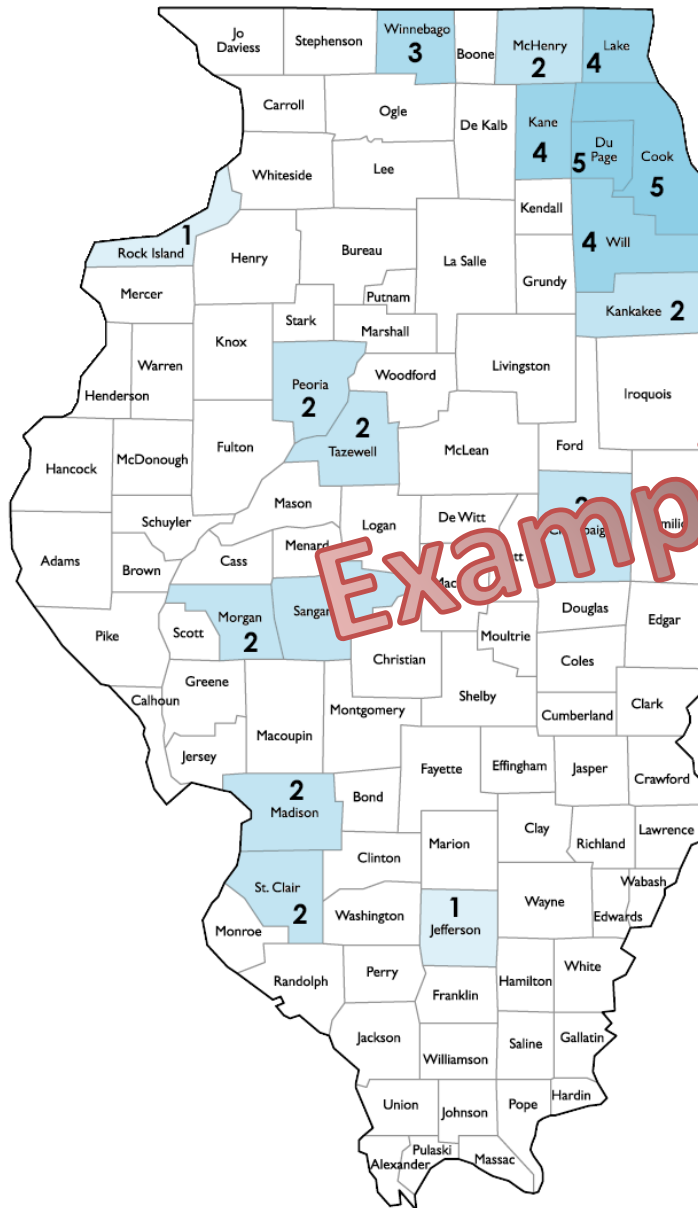
Residential Study

Methodology

- Homes will be visited **either** at insulation stage or just before Certificate of Occupancy
- A complete data set can **not be collected from any single home** – data will be aggregated in order to be analyzed
- Minimal interference with ongoing operations
- typically **on site for less than an hour**

Commercial Study

Sampling Plan



Example

- ~40 buildings
- 6 building types
- Survey team is currently **recruiting buildings** by contacting jurisdictions and scheduling site visits
- Targeting data collection completion for **October 2019**

Commercial Survey

Overview

- Similar to the residential study, the commercial study will **survey high impact measures** and analyze the results
- Unlike the residential survey, the commercial survey is **not intended** to achieve the “statistical significance” label
 - **Too much variation** in use types and size to cost effectively survey
- Will survey around 40 of the **most common and highest energy-using** building use types
- Analysis is designed to identify **measure-level savings opportunities**

Commercial Survey

Data Collection Overview

- **Same key items** will be surveyed for all building types will be gathered
- Buildings will typically be visited just **before certification of occupancy**
- May conduct **multiple site visits** if required to accurately capture the key items
- Minimal interference with ongoing operations – **on site around two hours**
- Collected data will be **scrubbed of identifying information** prior to analysis

Commercial Overview

Commercial Building Type Selection

- Sampling plan is roughly proportional to the percentage of buildings per use type
 - **Educational:** College/University, Elementary/Preschool, Jr/Sr High School
 - **Healthcare:** Nursing Homes, Hospitals and Clinics
 - **Lodging and Residential:** Hotels, Dormitories, Mid- and High-Rise Multifamily
 - **Office:** Offices/Government Offices
 - **Retail**
 - **Warehouse/Garage**
- These building use types represent ~80% of total commercial square footage

Commercial Study

Data Collection

- Review Building Plans and Specs
 - Record values for ~35 key items
- Identify Compliance Path
- Collect Field Data (~35 Key Items)
 - Building Insulation and Fenestration
 - Mechanical System and Controls
 - Lighting and Controls
- Blower door tests for smaller buildings (< 4,000 sf)



Utility Programs Underway

Energy Code Compliance

Missouri

- Funded by Ameren MO; Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act (MEEIA)
- Ameren MO territory
- Residential baseline study completed
- Residential Compliance Program 2019
- Collaborative
- Homerule state; no statewide code



Program Elements

Residential

Core Programs

- Collaborative
- Circuit rider
- In-person training
- Administrative assistance

Energy Codes Utility Programs

Other States and Utilities

Rhode Island and Massachusetts

- National Grid

Arizona

- Salt River Project

Iowa

- Cedar Falls Utility

California

- Pacific Gas and Electric Company
- San Diego Gas and Electric
- Southern California Edison
- Southern California Gas

Energy Code Compliance

Benefits from utility programs

- Resources - utilities can provide assistance with energy code compliance
- Increased compliance =
 - Better buildings,
 - better health,
 - more energy savings,
 - more carbon reduction
- Can potentially assist with adoption efforts

Questions?

Thank you!

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